

You are receiving this email because you have been identified as a potential stakeholder regarding the detection of a population of Japanese beetles in the Grandview/Sunnyside area of Yakima County. If you wish to be removed from this list, please email us at pestprogram@agr.wa.gov

JAPANESE BEETLE STAKEHOLDER UPDATE #21.01 – JUNE 10, 2021

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LIFE CYCLE UPDATE



In the early spring, Japanese beetle grubs awake and begin feeding on roots below the ground. In the late spring they turn into pupae. Those pupae later become adults that emerge to the surface.

You might see adult beetles at this time of year. Throughout the summer they will damage plants by skeletonizing the foliage. Adults also feed on buds, flowers, and fruits of plants.

During the summer, Japanese beetle also go underground to lay eggs, and then resurface to continue consumption.

REPORT JAPANESE BEETLE SIGHTINGS

WSDA needs residents and industry partners to help determine the spread of Japanese beetle. You can help by reporting potential sightings of both adult beetles and young grubs online, via email, or over the phone.

- agr.wa.gov/beetles
- PestProgram@agr.wa.gov
- 1-800-443-6684

The online reporting form is also available in Spanish. At the top of the form click “English” to show a drop down option to pick Español.



HOW TO TRAP

WSDA will be conducting trapping for Japanese beetle in targeted areas in 2021, with intensive trapping in the Grandview/Sunnyside area. Residents can also trap for Japanese beetles. There are several commercial traps available for purchase at your local farm and garden stores. Traps may vary, so follow the instructions on the trap.

If any Japanese beetles are caught in a trap, they should be reported to WSDA as well. Be sure to include a photo with your report.

HOMEOWNER CONTROL RECOMMENDATIONS

Washington State University Extension created control recommendations for residents that have found Japanese beetles. The publication can be found [here](#).

NEW DETECTIONS

WSDA has confirmed no new detections of Japanese beetle. WSDA has begun trapping for Japanese beetle and will continue into the fall. Click [here](#) to read a news release about trapping activities from the WSDA.

STAY CONNECTED

WSDA is dedicated to working with the public to provide information on Japanese beetle.

HOMEOWNER WEBINAR

WSDA and WSU held a webinar informing homeowners about Japanese beetle. This video is available to [watch on YouTube](#).

View the [Pest Alert](#) for Japanese beetle.

- Join the [Japanese beetle Facebook group](#).
- Join the [Pest Program email listserv](#).
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